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Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6216

Dear Congressman Conyers:

This letter is in further response to your letter dated January 28, 2005. In your letter, you provided additional information and requested an investigation regarding information you received about possible election fraud in Ohio, particularly in Clermont County.

Once again I want to express my appreciation for your referral of this information to the FBI for investigation. The investigation of election fraud is one of the highest priorities within the FBI's Criminal Investigative Division. These matters are expeditiously and professionally addressed and then carefully reviewed in conjunction with the DOJ.

Upon receipt of your most recent letter, the FBI's Cincinnati Field Office conducted a thorough inquiry of all of the information you provided in your letter, which included interviews of the Director and Deputy Director of the Clermont County Board of Elections. The results of the FBI's inquiry were reported to, reviewed by, and discussed with the United States Attorney's Office (USAO) in Cincinnati and the Department of Justice (DOJ), Public Integrity Section, Elections Crime Branch. Based on the review of information you provided and the subsequent inquiry conducted by the FBI, neither the DOJ, the USAO, nor the FBI found any credible evidence that federal election laws were violated.

Honorable John Conyers, Jr.

I hope this response adequately answers all of your concerns. If you have any further information or questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Eleni P. Kalisch.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Swecker". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "C".

Chris Swecker
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CC: Honorable F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr.
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